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SUBJ: BANKRUPTCY OF BADGER (BELGIUM) N.V. (RAYTHEON CORP)

REF: (A) BRUSSELS 282; (B) BRUSSELS 386; (C) STATE 9787

1. TWO RECENTLY DISCHARGED BELGIAN EMPLOYEES OF BADGER (ANTWERP) CALLED AT EMBASSY THE HAGUE JANUARY 17 TO ALERT US TO DEMONSTRATION OF DISCHARGED BELGIAN WORKERS PLANNED FOR JANUARY 20 IN FRONT OF EMBASSY AND AT BADGER THE HAGUE. DEMONSTRATIONS, WITH CLEARANCE OF DUTCH POLICE, TOOK PLACE AS SCHEDULED. ORDERLY GROUP OF OVER ONE HUNDRED APPEARED BEFORE EMBASSY BEARING PLACARDS CONDEMNING BADGER, READ PROCLAMATION OVER LOUD SPEAKER, AND PRESENTED SIGNED PETITION TO EMBASSY PROTESTING BADGERS BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS IN BELGIUM AND REQUESTING EMBASSYS SUPPORT IN PERSUADING BADGER TO MEET ITS OBLIGATIONS TO ITS DISCHARGED EMPLOYEES.

2. FOLLOWING SIMILAR DEMONSTRATION AT BADGER THE HAGUE OFFICES, DELEGATION OF SIX DISCHARGED BELGIAN EMPLOYEES SAT DOWN WITH MANAGING DIRECTOR LANGER FOR FORTY FIVE  
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MINUTE DISCUSSION. ACCORDING TO LANGER IT WAS AGREED THAT LAWYERS FROM BOTH SIDES WOULD MEET "TO SEEK GROUND FOR AMICABLE SETTLEMENT POSSIBILITY".

3. EMBASSY COMMENT: DISCHARGED EMPLOYEES OF BADGER ANTWERP ARE EFFECTIVELY USING PUBLIC MEDIA IN GAINING SUPPORT AND SYMPATHYFOR THIER CAUSE. WHILE BADGER

THE HAGUE AND ITS PARENT RAYTHEON MAY HAVE CONCLUDED  
THEY HAVE LEGALLY ACCEPTABLE GROUNDS FOR THEIR ACTIONS  
IN TERMINATING THEIR BELGIAN OPERATION, THEY ALSO ARE  
CONTINUING TO HARVEST ILL WILL AND BAD PUBLICITY THAT WILL  
HURT THE PUBLIC IMAGE NOT ONLY OF BADGER-RAYTHEON BUT ALSO  
OF AMERICAN MULTINATIONAL FIRMS GENERALLY. CURRENT WILLINGNESS  
OF LANGER TO EXAMINE POSSIBILITY OF AMICABLE SETTLEMENT APPEARS  
HOPEFUL. ALTHOUGH EMBASSY HAS REMAINED IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH  
LANGER, DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO WISH TO APPRISE BADGER US AND RAYTHEON  
OF CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS.  
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